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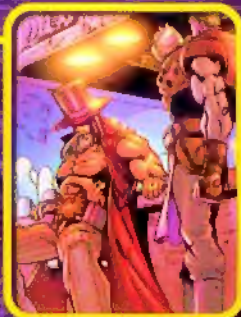
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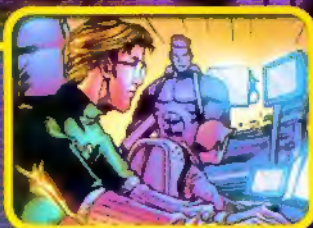
In the back room of a music club sit three friends: Miki Takamura, punk rock legend in the making. Suicide, tempting fate by selling guns and ammunition to the militant hate gang, the Dead Presidents. And Vampi trying to keep peace while she struggles with her addiction to drinking blood.



Hearing that the Dead Presidents are inside the club, Suicide determines to get even for an earlier fight. But Vampi, wanting to protect her friend from a sure death, knocks him out before he has a chance! She and Miki leave for the performance, since after all, the show must go on.

THE PRESENT

After her failed attempt to retrieve the Ladder from Archangel, Vampi awakens in the medical facilities of BioCorp, Inc. Due to a security leak, Archangel has managed to trigger the building's meltdown device while his two henchmen, Deadbolt and Shockrock, go after Vampi.



Vampi and her ally, Jacob Jones, attempt to evacuate the building while protecting themselves from attack. Trapped in a room, it looks like only minutes are left for Vampi until she discovers the true purpose of the meltdown device. It's not an explosive, but an E.M.P. generator one designed to destroy not lives, but technology and information systems.

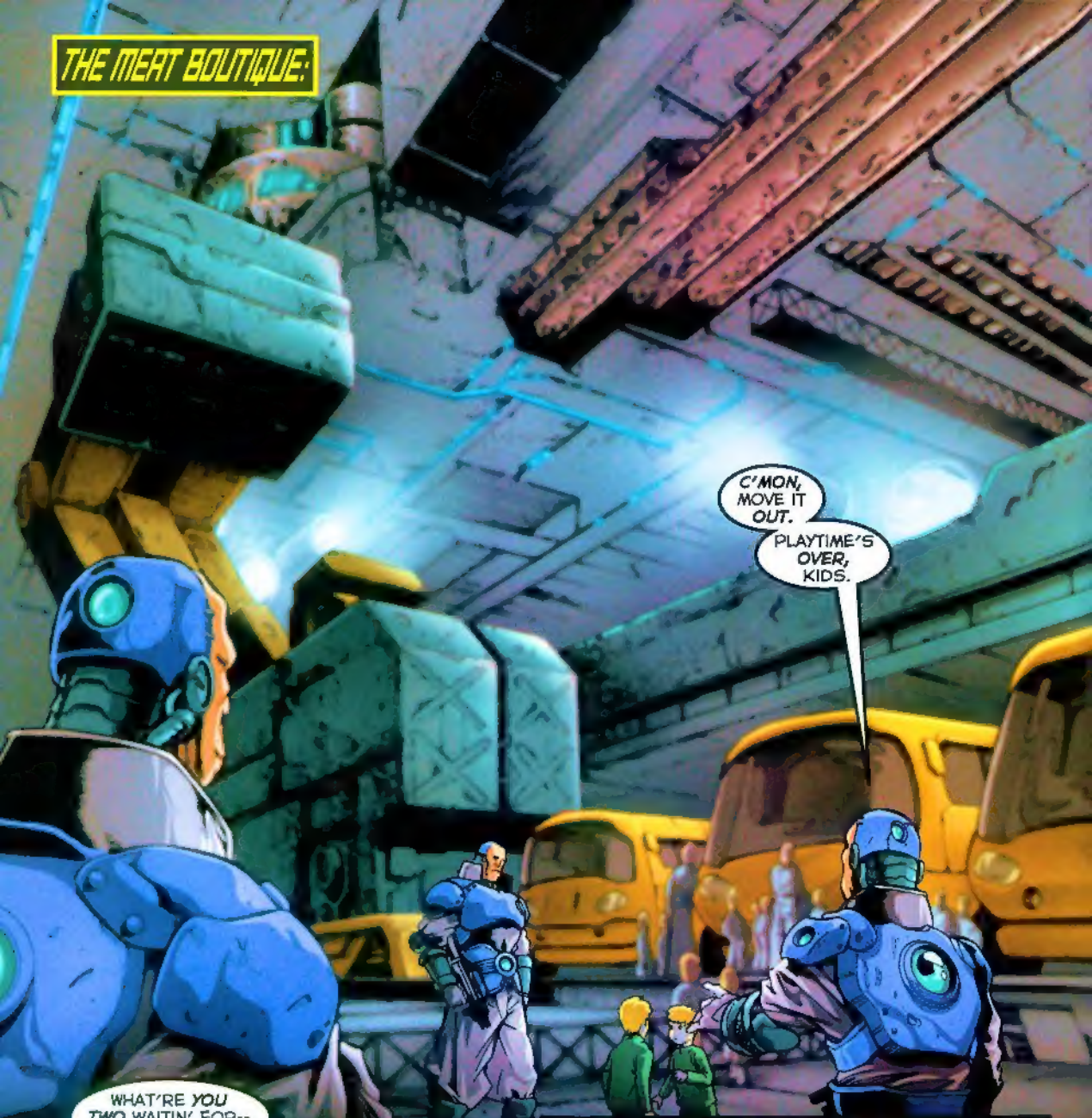


By accelerating the "meltdown", every electronic component in the building is trashed, including those implanted in Shockrock and Deadbolts bodies. This may mean disaster for BioCorp, but it also means the end of Shockrock and Deadbolt, and safety for Vampi and Jacob at least for now.





THE MEAT BOUTIQUE:



WHAT'RE YOU
TWO WAITIN' FOR--
AN INVITATION?



THAT'S NO
WAY GREET
OUR
GUESTS.



...EASILY
TRAUMATIZED.



MY, YOU
REALLY ARE
QUITE
SOMETHING.

JUST LIKE
TWO PEAS IN
A POD.

I CAN
HARDLY TELL
YOU APART.

HAVE YOU
EVER HEARD
OF CHANG
AND ENG?

THEY
WERE TWINS,
TOO -- UTTERLY
INSEPARABLE.



LUCKY
ESCAPE--
SNOT-NOSED,
LITTLE
BASTARDS.

ESCAPE?
YOU'RE JOKING,
RIGHT...?

"... NO-ONE
ESCAPES
FROM HERE."

OFFICIALLY,
THIS PLACE
DOESN'T EXIST.

A SECRET
THEATER OF
SILENT
WARFARE...

WHERE
VIOLENCE IS
CHOREO-
GRAPHED...

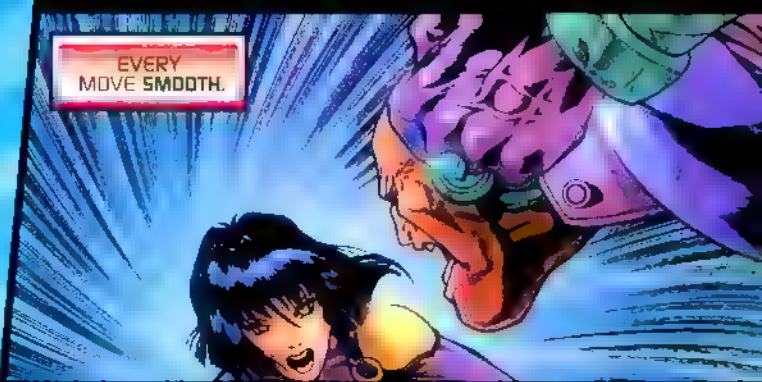
...LIKE A
DEADLY
BALLET.



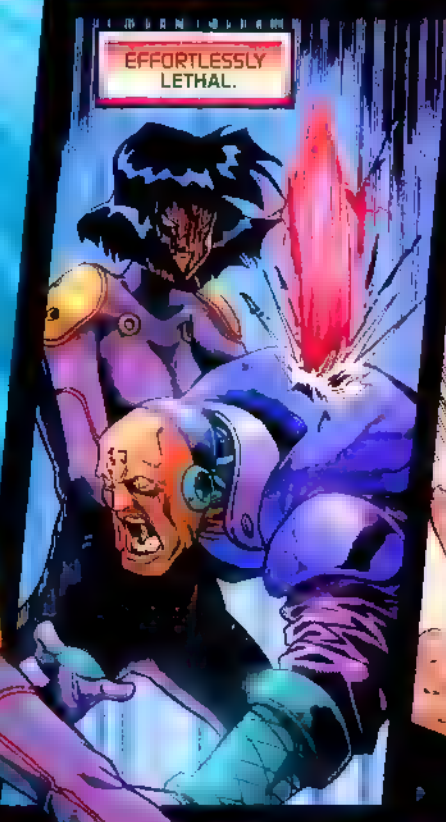




AT FIRST
IT GOES BY THE
NUMBERS.



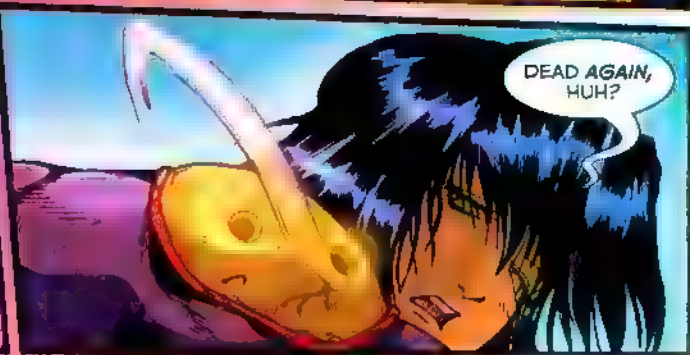
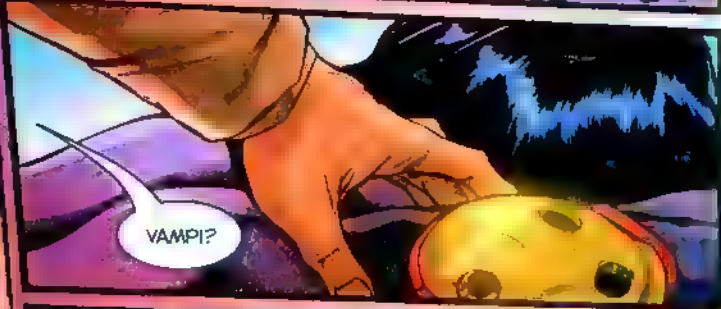
EVERY
MOVE SMOOTH.



EFFORTLESSLY
LETHAL.

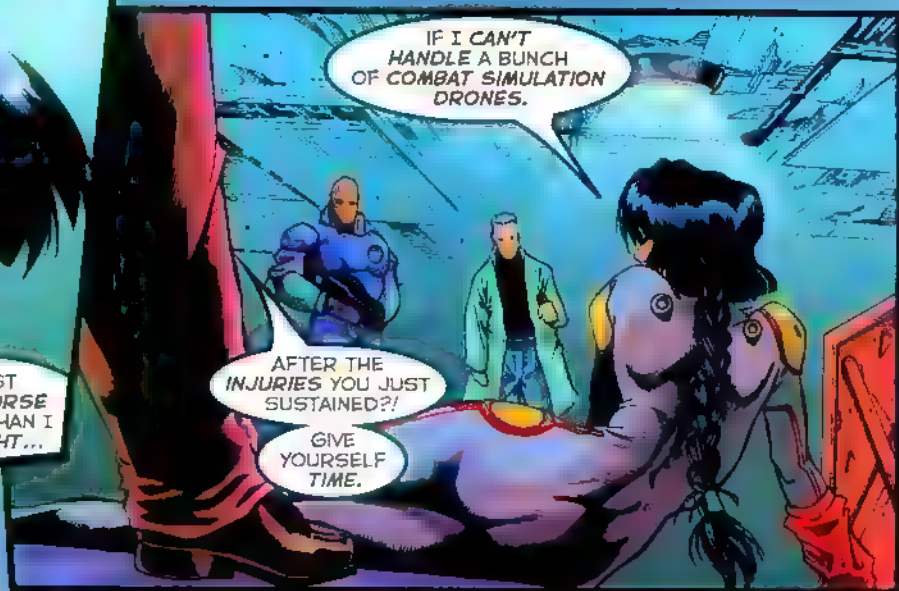


A STEP OUT OF TIME
WITH THE RHYTHM
OF VIOLENCE.





I MUST
BE IN WORSE
SHAPE THAN I
THOUGHT...



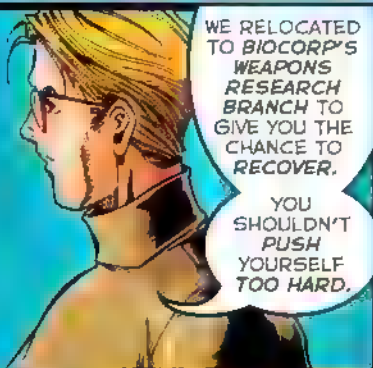
IF I CAN'T
HANDLE A BUNCH
OF COMBAT SIMULATION
DRONES.

AFTER THE
INJURIES YOU JUST
SUSTAINED?!

GIVE
YOURSELF
TIME.



THAT'S ONE
THING WE DON'T
HAVE, JACOB.

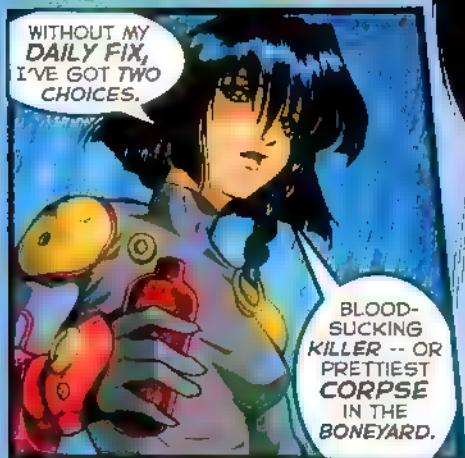


WE RELOCATED
TO BIOCOP'S
WEAPONS
RESEARCH
BRANCH TO
GIVE YOU THE
CHANCE TO
RECOVER.

YOU
SHOULDN'T
PUSH
YOURSELF
TOO HARD.



I CAN'T
LIVE THIS WAY
ANYMORE.



WITHOUT MY
DAILY FIX,
I'VE GOT TWO
CHOICES.

BLOOD-
SUCTION
KILLER -- OR
PRETTIEST
CORPSE
IN THE
BONEYARD.

WHILE THERE'S
A CHANCE OF A CURE,
I'M STILL ON THE
CLOCK.



GOOD.

BECAUSE
WE HAVE A FRESH LEAD ON
ARCHANGEL'S CURRENT
LOCATION.



THE MEAT BOUTIQUE-
THE HEART OF
ARCHANGEL'S EMPIRE.

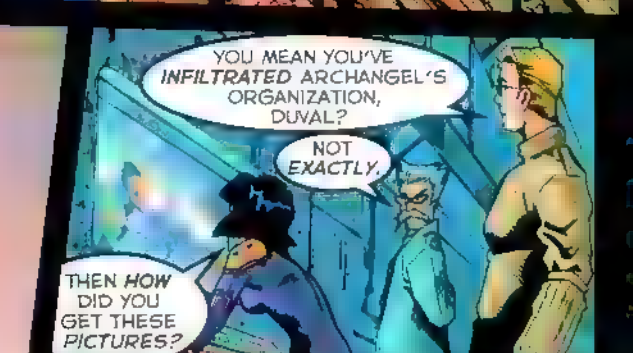
NARCOTICS. SLAVERY.
SNUFF PORNOGRAPHY.
ORGAN TRAFFICKING.

A MURDER FACTORY AS
PRECISE AND EFFICIENT
AS A SWISS WATCH.



SHE RUNS THE
ENTIRE OPERATION
FOR ARCHANGEL.

ACCORDING
TO MY SOURCE,
SHE CALLS
HERSELF ENDURA.



YOU MEAN YOU'VE
INFILTRATED ARCHANGEL'S
ORGANIZATION,
DUVAL?

NOT
EXACTLY.

THEN HOW
DID YOU
GET THESE
PICTURES?



FROM
DEADBOLT,
NATURALLY.

DEADBOLT?
I THOUGHT
HE WAS DEAD.

-- IT'S TIME TO
ROCK AND ROLL!

A BAND IS LIKE
A MACHINE...

EVERY PART
WORKING TOGETHER.

A WRONG
NOTE...

A JARRING
RHYTHM...

THEY DON'T
JUST SPOIL
THE EFFECT





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THEY KILL IT

NOW
THAT'S
BETTER!

Y'KNOW WHAT
THEY SAY--SILENCE
IS GOLDEN'!

DUMB
SON-OF-
A-BITCH!

WHAT'S THE
BIG-FREAKIN'
-IDEA?!

AMERICA'S
BEEN INFESTED WITH
VERMIN LIKE YOU FOR
TOO LONG.

WE'RE GONNA
MAKE AN EXAMPLE
OF YOUR YELLOW ASS--
A WARNING FOR ALL
THE OTHERS.

SAME GOES FOR
ANY RACE TRAITOR
WHO GETS IN
OUR WAY.

ALL YOU
'INNOCENT
BYSTANDERS'
ARE JUST
POTENTIAL
COLLATERAL
DAMAGE.

YOU KNOW WHAT
THE FIRST
CASUALTY OF WAR
IS, DON'T YOU ... ?

"...INNOCENCE."

YOU'RE
STILL UPSET.

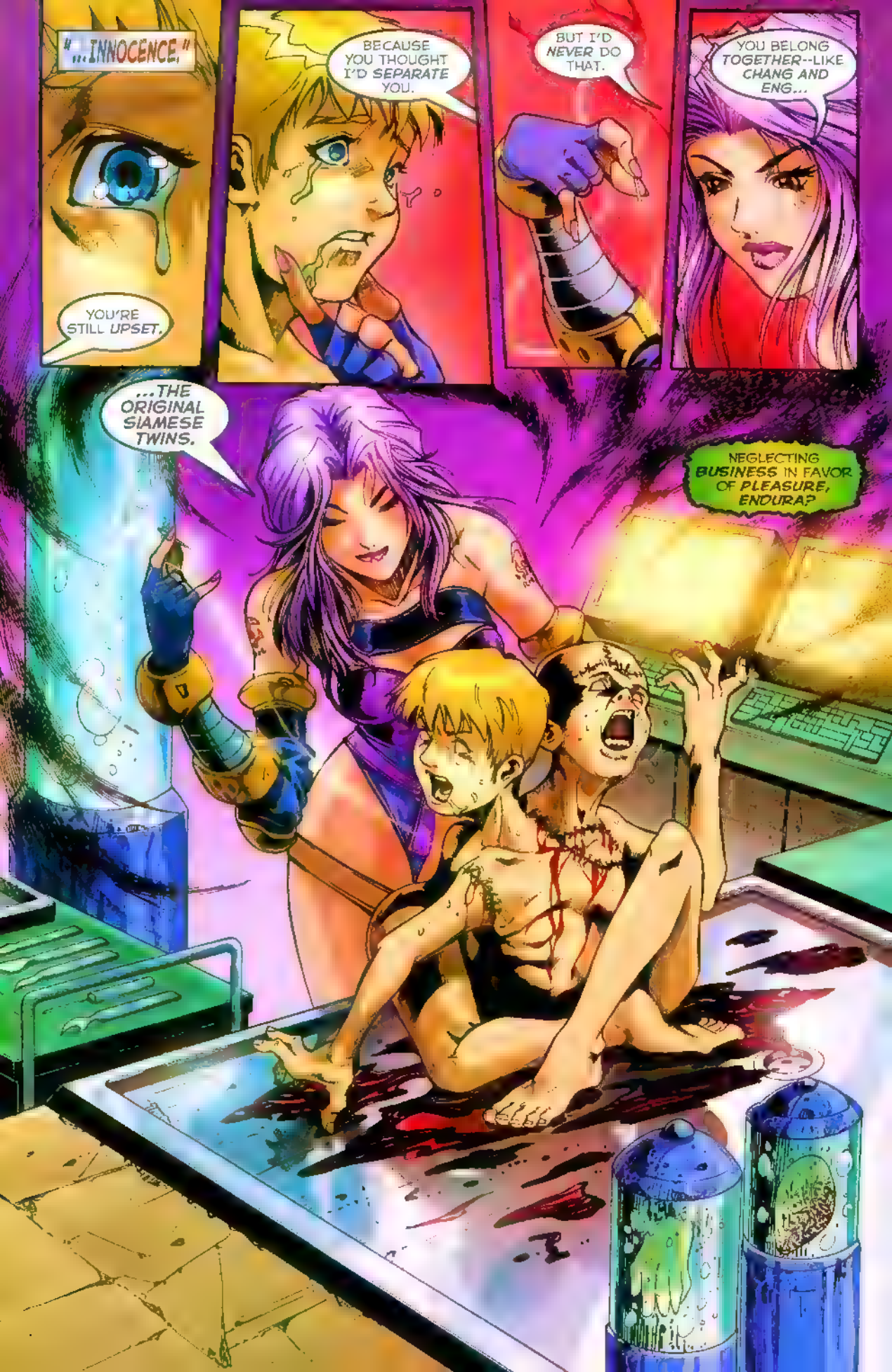
BECAUSE
YOU THOUGHT
I'D SEPARATE
YOU.

BUT I'D
NEVER DO
THAT.

YOU BELONG
TOGETHER--LIKE
CHANG AND
ENG...

...THE
ORIGINAL
SIAMESE
TWINS.

NEGLECTING
BUSINESS IN FAVOR
OF PLEASURE,
ENDURAP?



DON'T WORRY,
ARCHANGEL.
EVERYTHING'S RUNNING
LIKE CLOCKWORK.

THIS IS
A PROBLEM?

NOT IF YOU
CAN HANDLE OUR
BLOODSUCKING
FRIEND
YOURSELF.

SHE TOOK MY
ATTEMPT TO KILL
HER RATHER
PERSONALLY,
IT SEEMS.

NO, MY
BIOCORP SOURCE
INFORMS ME YOU'VE
BEEN DISCOVERED.

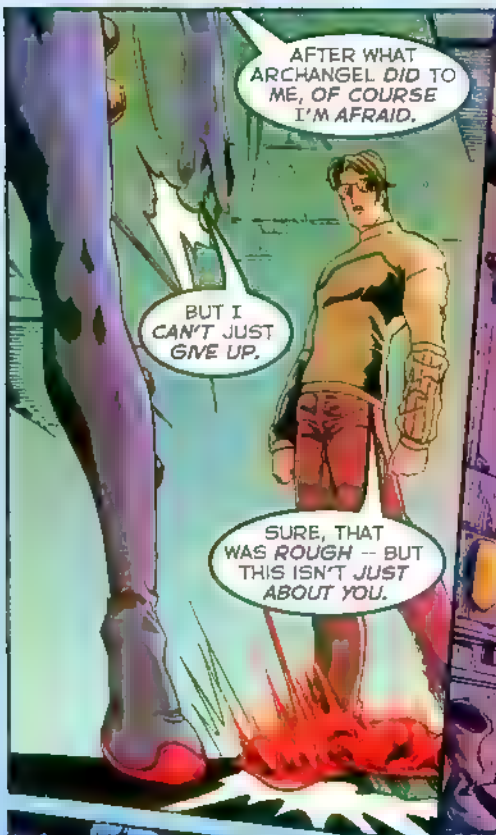
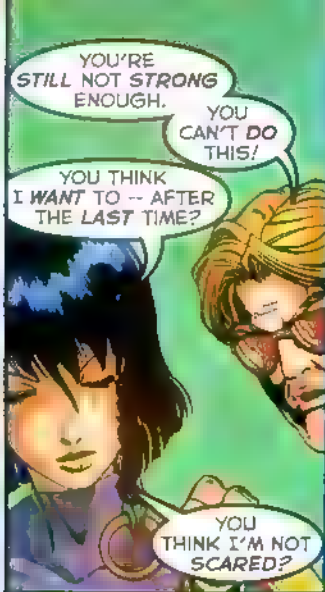
THANKS TO
THE LADDER, THE
SARCOPHAGUS FINALLY
OPERATIONAL.

I'LL
DO MORE THAN
HANDLE HER.

I'VE BEEN
WAITING FOR
THIS.

A CHANCE
TO REALLY MIX
BUSINESS...

... AND
PLEASURE.



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GO AFTER
ARCHANGEL
NOW,
YOU'LL GET
YOURSELF
KILLED--



--AND I'LL
LOSE THE
LADDER
FOREVER.



YOU
COULDN'T
BEAT HIM
LAST TIME.



WHAT'S
CHANGED?



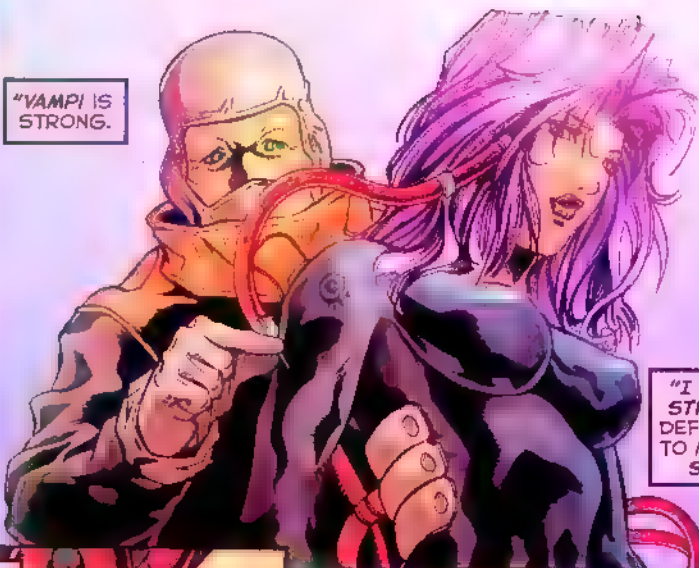
ME.



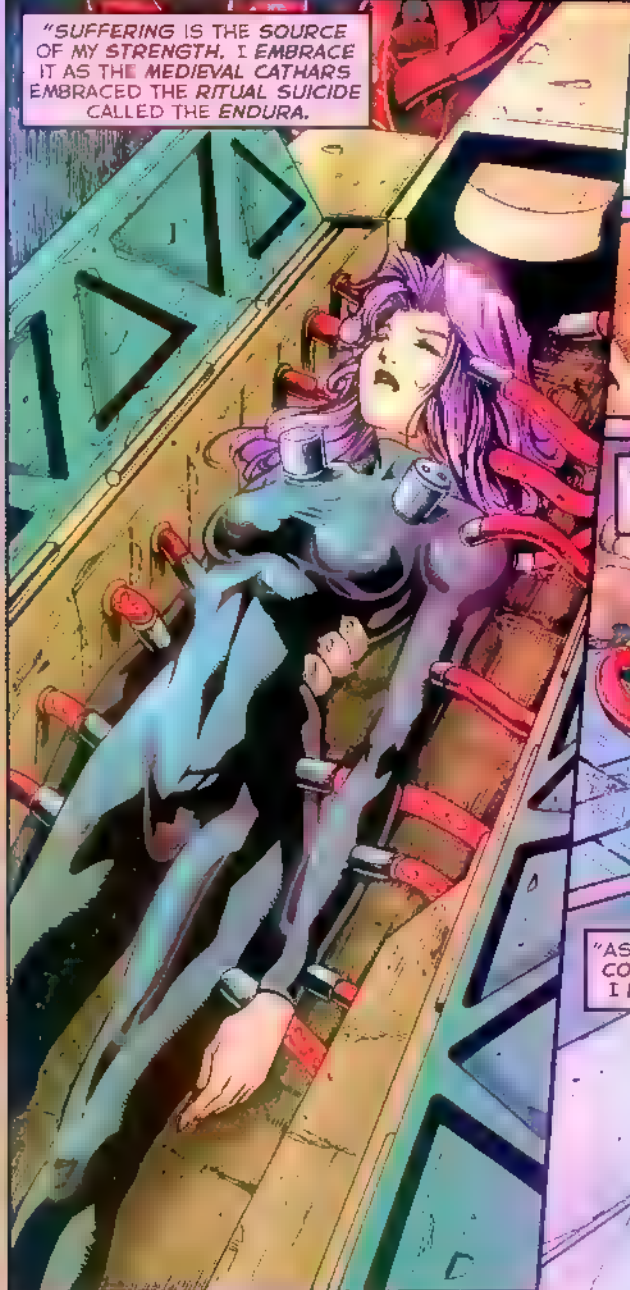
I'M GOING TO KILL HIM...
AND ANYONE ELSE
WHO GETS IN MY WAY.




"VAMPI IS
STRONG.




"I MUST BE
STRONG TO
DEFEAT HER--
TO MAKE HER
SUFFER.




"SUFFERING IS THE SOURCE
OF MY STRENGTH. I EMBRACE
IT AS THE MEDIEVAL CATHARS
EMBRACED THE RITUAL SUICIDE
CALLED THE ENDURA.



"PAIN PURIFIES.



"PAIN IS POWER.



"AND THE PAIN OF
DEATH IS THE
ULTIMATE POWER.

"AS THE SARCOPHAGUS
CONSUMES MY FLESH
I EMBRACE DEATH ...

"...BUT I DO
NOT DIE.

"I EMERGE
PURIFIED—
TRANSFORMED.

"I AM STRONG—
BUT SUFFERING HAS
MADE ME STRONGER.

"INFINITELY
STRONGER.

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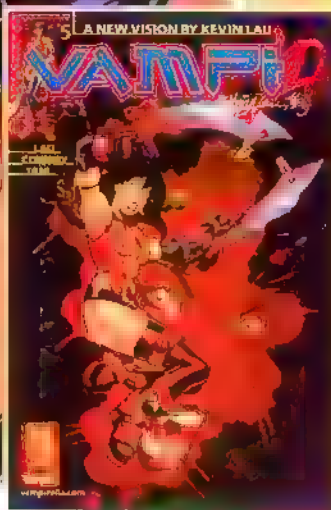
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SET YOUR
SIGHTS ON THIS
SPECTACULAR
NEW VAMPI
MERCHANDISE!



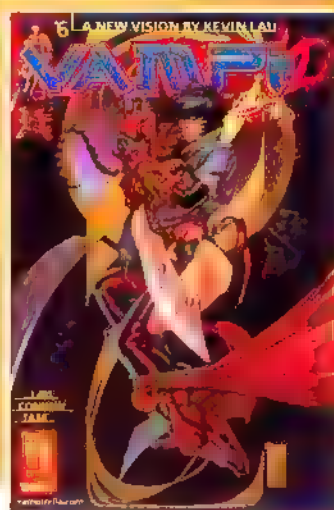
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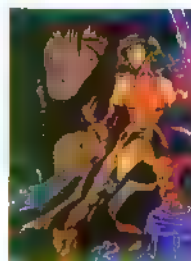
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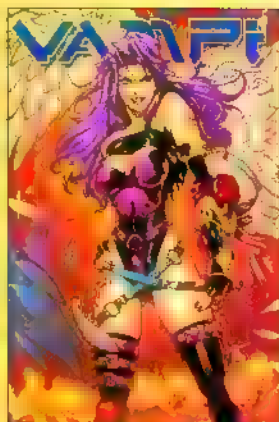
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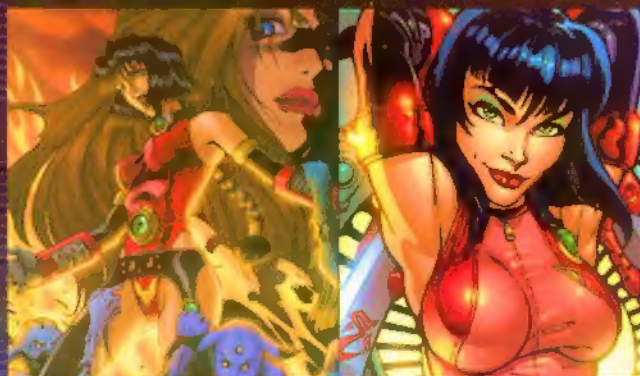
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